

Editor Hill is improving the appearance of his home on West Second street by the addition of a couple of porches.

For the latest, finest and best in the photographic line try McDonald's new Photographic of the Elsie Studio.

Forecasts of weather for North Platte and vicinity for to-night and tomorrow: Cloudy with periods for showers, possibly turning to snow.

It is said that a farmer in the vicinity of Hershey is figuring upon utilizing a gasoline engine of several horse power capacity this season for irrigation purposes.

Quite a large sale of reserved seats is being made for the band concert on Friday night of this week and the indications point to the boys being greeted with a good-sized audience.

The Odd Fellows of this city are making preparations for the celebrating of the anniversary of their order on the 25th of April. That date is revered by members of that fraternity.

A quartette of the largest sized lamps have been added to the furnishings of the Lutheran church in this city which greatly adds to the convenience of the congregation at night.

A call has been issued by the mayor for a public meeting at the courthouse tomorrow night for the purpose of placing a citizens' ticket in the field for the coming municipal election.

Services in the Lutheran church next Sabbath, as usual, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for the morning: "The Entry into Jerusalem." The evening subject will be "An Average Man."

The shrewd landscape gardeners of our city are busy taking time by the forelock by clearing off their lawns. Early work in this line results in an economy of rake teeth and profanity.

According to the Rev. Hicks we should be in the midst of a heavy storm period which was due to arrive yesterday. The reversed gentleman appears to have been slightly off in his reckoning for this vintage.

The Omaha picture evidences who "worked" North Platte people have just finished Cheyenne at \$1 per head. This is fifty cents higher than the rate obtained here, and may be some consolation to a portion of our people.

A force of carpenters are "busy as mules" building a large barn on what was the Landgraf farm. The headquarters will be at that place for the men and animals used in constructing the Oddy-Dillon irrigating ditch.

"Bud" Criddlebaugh has just returned from a visit with relatives in Furnas county and reports recent copious rains in that locality. Last Sunday he said it rained steadily all day and the farmers felt highly encouraged over the coming crop prospects.

Twelve applications for membership will be made to-night to the local K. O. T. M. lodge. From appearances this will be the coming fraternal insurance organization, and will make some of the older societies get a move on themselves to keep up with the procession.

As THE TRIBUNE from numerous inquiries has learned that the articles by "Engineer" and "Jerry" have been attracting considerable attention among its readers, we have decided to allow their future continuance for a time, so long as they are conducted in a friendly and tolerant spirit.

Some parties were last week detected stealing hay from Dillon's land east of this city. Lester Ellis had them in his office, shook the terrors of the law over their heads, and finally dismissed them with the admonition that if they were seen again doing so outraged justice would be allowed to take a fall out of them.

Sheriff Miller went out to Fox Creek on Monday and arrested Jas. K. Somers for getting into a row with one of his neighbors over in that vicinity. We learn the charge was made by a man named Hanson. The defendant was brought to this city and a preliminary investigation had this morning before Judge Ray and an acquittal obtained.

Col. W. P. Oddy this morning received by express from Utah, a very valuable relic. It was the sword worn by the notorious John D. Lee at the Mountain Meadows massacre of California bound pioneers by Mormons and Indians. The Colonel has been after this memento for several years and has finally captured it.

D. O. Mills, Whitelaw Reid and a number of other New York notoriety passed through our city this week in a special car on train No. 1 prairie for California. Mr. Reid has been in very poor health for some time past with lung troubles induced by asthma and goes to the Pacific coast in the hope that the climate may prove beneficial.

C. L. Wood, Gus Hoffman and O. K. Peck left this morning for Omaha under the chaperage of a deputy United States marshal, as witness in the preliminary investigation of the alleged postoffice burglar. Uncle Sam appears to be having a hard job in his effort to convict this fellow, as he will have to appear before two U. S. commissioners.

One of the best programmes ever rendered by the local L. L. A. was held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last Monday evening and anyone who did not attend could not realize how the boys are improving in their literary and rhetorical ability. The debate which was the main feature of the evening was ably handled by both sides and conferred a great credit upon the young men of this city. Do not forget that they render a good programme every Monday evening and give every one an invitation to attend.

THE TRIBUNE has also from the inside that a short time ago the management of the Union Pacific decided to call for estimates of the buildings that would be required by the company for the next five years. In response to this invitation Supt. Park has put in his requisition for a new depot building for North Platte. This is something that has been needed for years in this city. There is no town along the line of the size of this city and doing the business that it does which is not better supplied. Let our business men and citizens take heed and second the efforts of Mr. Park and the building will be assured.

—Two seeds, grass seeds and garden seeds by the pound at Harrington & Tobin's.

—Active preparations are being made by the North Platte churches for appropriate Easter services.

—Col Oddy entertained a number of friends at dinner at the family residence on Monday of this week.

—The royal "Lunnon tally ho" rumbled through our streets Monday morning and attracted considerable attention.

—Ex-treasurer Clark was in from his farm in Garfield precinct Monday. His change from office to farm life is duly appreciated.

—If Observer Piercy can give us a good rain before the close of the week he will be voted the most popular man in the county.

—Tim Keilher is thinking of writing a serial story on "How I got Left; or the way I Falled to Reach Maxwell on a Freight Train."

—A beautiful lawn around a home is a most cheerful thing. Get some lawn grass seed at Harrington & Tobin's and beautify your property.

—The published statements of the two city national banks showed deposits of \$210,000 for Feb. 28th, \$117,000 of which were time deposits.

—From the crowded condition of the Presbyterian church at each service, it is evident that organization will soon have to erect a larger building.

—John Lamaster is constructing a rather peculiar power for John Hawley to be used in elevating water on the latter's farm near Sutherland.

The concert to be given at the opera house Friday evening by the Gordon cornet band is worthy a very large patronage and we trust our citizens will turn out.

—Hans Gertler says "a touzen tollar a year license! No shoes! No crackers! Beer ten cents a glass! Ut you don't like em, we trink em ourselves." Whoop-in!

—Col. J. C. Haffer had several dozen young chickens hatched last week without the intervention of the mother hen. He is preparing to supply the market with early "friers."

It is whispered that a club room might be made a success in view of the \$1,000 saloon tax in this city. Those who take out a license will probably look after this part of the programme.

—Clean out the water ways of the city ere the spring floods come. To be sure for some seasons past we have not been much troubled with an overplus of water, but this spring may prove to be an exception.

—Manager Lloyd reports that the skating rink ran out about 300 per cent better this season than he anticipated, and he is accordingly able to talk to an advance theatrical agent with a great deal of nerve.

—Photographer Broch made some excellent pictures for the members of the Ole Olson company yesterday. In a local way William is becoming the Sarony among theatrical people anxious to secure first class work.

—Rev. Poulik preached a very acceptable sermon to the Modern Woodmen on Sunday evening. The attendance of Woodmen was not so large as it should have been or the membership of the camp would warrant.

—Smoke the "Little Star" cigar; clear Havana. Made by McGlone & Hess.

—At the last meeting of the school board the term of the high school was lengthened out one month, making the school year ten months instead of nine. The other departments will close at the end of the nine months.

—Charlie Fon Ding of North Platte was seen greeting his many friends of this city Saturday. He also called on Treasurer Ector and deposited, as Charlie expresses it, some of the yellow hard to get, for safe keeping.—Ogalalla News.

—Several of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strahorn assembled at the family residence on Monday evening and tendered the inmates a pleasant little surprise party. The evening was spent in pleasant amusements enjoyed by all present.

—Some dissatisfaction has been expressed by parents in regard to the school board placing railroad maps in some of the schools of this city. The objection is that children will not get as good a knowledge of geography as they otherwise would.

—Farmers, when you are in town and feel that a hair cut of the most approved style would enhance your appearance and your comfort, call at "Doc" Sizemore's barber shop and have the work satisfactorily done for the small sum of twenty-five cents.

—A. H. Church is nicely recovering from his severe sickness. G. T. Swell and Dennis O'Keefe, however, are a little in advance of him and have been out on the streets for a number of days. The numerous friends of these gentlemen are pleased to again see them around.

—Dr. Cook, of Omaha, who it was announced would lecture at the Methodist church next Saturday evening, has written that it will be impossible for him to be here on that date. The doctor will, however, be here Easter Sunday, March 23rd, and preaching in the Methodist church both morning and evening, and on Monday evening, March 24th, will deliver his free lecture, "Hershey and I are Out," in the church.

—Monday morning while Alonzo McMichael and J. C. Raynor were on their way to Hershey, with a horse and buggy, they discovered a runaway horse approaching. Mr. Raynor got out of the vehicle to catch the frightened animal. While so doing the horse they were driving became scared and overturned the buggy and threw Mr. McMichael to the ground. The force of the concussion was sufficiently great as to break his shoulder-blade. His many friends hope that his recovery may be speedy.

—Mrs. Martha A. wife of J. K. Cannon, died of consumption in this city last Saturday, aged 59 years and 11 months. The deceased had lived in this city for a number of years, and had many friends among her acquaintances. The funeral services occurred Monday afternoon from the family residence and were conducted by Rev. J. C. Irwin, after which the remains were escorted to their last resting place in the North Platte cemetery by a large number of sympathizing friends.

—Hood's Pills do not purge, pain or grip, but act promptly, easily and efficiently. 25c.

—It is said that North Platte came near having a cyclone visitation early Friday morning. The clouds had about the proper shape, and the gusts of wind were very strong at times.

—A prairie fire on the south side the latter part of the week burned off the pasture for quite a number of farmers, as well as destroyed many fence posts. It is reported that E. L. Garrison lost considerable hay.

—Indications are favorable for quite a large immigration this year to western Nebraska. Lincoln county should be prepared to capture her share. Already advance prospectors are conning the country over in search of locations.

—S. A. Douglas Post, of this city, is now in possession of the old and historic flag formerly owned by R. J. Wynnan, deceased, the son of the latter having presented it to the Post. The flag floated to the breeze from the dome of the U. S. military headquarters at Alexandria, Va., during the dark days of 1862, '63 and '64.

—In speaking of the possibilities for irrigation in this county, Bob Patterson, who is up in that portion of Colorado where they have irrigation reduced to a fine art, emphatically states that the most profitable method for western Nebraska farmers to pursue is by means of windmills. He said that Struthers, a former citizen of North Platte, is irrigating from a well eighty feet in depth.

—H. D. Rhea, an attorney from North Platte, challenged the jury on Monday because as he said they were Catholics in the list. Well this naturally caused considerable commotion. Such an innovation in court proceedings was not expected from even the silly Rhea. The Telegraph modestly suggests to the insanity commission of Lincoln county not to let their duty go by unattended.—Sidney Telegraph.

—O. M. Morley, father-in-law of ex-county commissioner E. D. Murphy, died at his home near Brady Island last Saturday. The health of the deceased had been poor for several months and he went to California in the hope of bettering it. Reaching that climate in the rainy season he contracted a heavy cold which settled upon his lungs. Returning to Lincoln county he lived for about a month after his visit to the western coast. Being an upright, straightforward man he had many friends in the neighborhood in which he resided who mourn his death.

—Matt W. Clair was appointed postmaster of North Platte by President Cleveland on Friday last week, his "pull" coming through it, is said, a number of influential friends in Omaha. The appointment is not satisfactory to a number of local democrats, who think the appointee has not been a resident of the town sufficiently long to entitle him to the plum. But no matter which of the several other applicants would have been appointed, there would have been dissatisfaction on the part of some. The appointment of Mr. Clair has caused considerable talk in regard to the probable lucky applicants for the local land office, and it is now said that Will McDonald and Judge Peaton have been slated and their appointment is sure to be made in the near future. This rumor is published for what it is worth.

—The Sunday Omaha Bee raps secretary Goozee, of the local building and loan association, over the head for making the statement that his association expended for advertising only what the law requires, as it is of no particular benefit. The Bee characterizes this as a "quaint chunk of last century enterprise," and adds that an "association which shuns the press may postpone the funeral for a time, but it cannot disfigure itself of graveyard odors." The object of the officers of the local association is to manage its affairs with strict economy and we believe the North Platte organization has the record of being the most cheaply conducted association in the state. This is undoubtedly what the shareholders desire, and while the Tribune believes, and firmly so, that judicious advertising pays, it is well satisfied with the capable manner in which the local association is conducted.

—The following special from Gandy to the Omaha Bee is but another recital of the usual experience: "Willard Ginn, the treasurer of Logan county, has gone wrong, according to W. Quincy Mahan, an expert bookkeeper who has been working on the books for several days. He is short \$495. The commissioners have turned the office over to Mr. Mahan and he and E. R. Smith, the cashier of the State bank of this place, will go over the books again and report next Monday, when the commissioners meet again. The populists were positive last fall before election that the books were all right and would get very indignant when anything was said about the books being crooked. Mr. Ginn is also treasurer of the school board in this place and it is not known how the funds are, as the other two officers are now in Illinois and it is not known when they will return."

—Carl Brown, the "California Vote Man" who exhibited here for the instruction (2) of the populists a year or so ago, gives stronger evidences of his insanity by writing to an Omaha acquaintance and claiming to have received reliable assurances that he and one Jesse Coxey have been chosen by the Lord to carry to completion the reforms started by Christ before he was crucified. Mr. Brown says he to receive one half of Christ's soul and Coxey to receive the other half, and proves his belief by "scientific research." After they receive the spirit on Easter Sunday they propose to march down to Washington 100,000 strong and demand that Grover Cleveland run this government hereafter in accordance with the lines laid down in the scriptures, whatever that may be. Mr. Brown further informed his Omaha friend that when they arrive in Washington they will demand that Secretary Carlisle issue \$500,000 in greenbacks and divy up and says that the past time will hereafter be a thing of the past, as everybody will "have plenty and be prosperous."

—Prevention is better than cure, and you may prevent that tired feeling by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will keep your blood pure and free from acid taint and germs of disease.

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EASTER GREETINGS

Will soon be in order. Christmas and Easter are the most joyous days of the year. Then is the time when you feel joyous and happy and would like your friends to feel the same. Why not greet them with a sweet little Easter offering, such as a pretty little spoon, book mark or some little silver novelty. We have a very nice line of silver novelties, and would be pleased to have you call.

CLINTON, THE JEWELER.

PERGRINATING PEOPLE.

Harry Ferguson returned to Colorado Springs Monday. All Right Peck visited his best girl in Kearney last Sunday.

Sam. Dikeman left Monday for a visit with friends at Delavan, Ill. Mrs. Warren Lloyd returned last Saturday from her visit to Colorado.

John Conway, of Sutherland, was a North Platte visitor last Saturday. Mrs. W. A. Amey and son left last night for Colorado, which will be their future home.

Nate Salisbury and a son of the late Senator Beck visited with Col. Cody the last of the week. County treasurer Buchanan went to Aurora, Neb. Saturday. He expected to be home to-day.

Robert Patterson, who runs an engine out of Salida, Col., has been visiting his brothers for several days past. Rev. Derryberry, of the north part of the county, will occupy the pulpit at the Methodist church next Sunday.

Mrs. M. T. Allum went to Sutherland this morning, where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Holtry for a few days. Mrs. Chas. McDonald and Miss Kate Gibbs left last night for Pueblo, the former to visit her son and the latter some friends.

D. B. Welpton, an adjuster for the State Ins. Co. of Des Moines, Iowa, was in the city yesterday renewing acquaintances. Mrs. O. V. Ross contemplates making a trip to California about the first of the coming month on a visit to her son and daughter.

A couple of lady missionaries en route from Sweden to China stopped off the latter part of last week and have been visiting with the family of Claus Mylander for several days past.

Perry Sifton, wife and daughter left on No. 4 yesterday morning for Omaha. The former returned last Saturday from Topeka, Kan., where she has just finished some hotel repairs for the Union Pacific Ry.

Shop and Road Notes. The new fire rattle has been put in place. Engine 621 went into the shop yesterday for an overhauling. Station Agent Ode has been at Omaha for several days combining business with pleasure.

Charley Pass, the boss gardener of the shops, says he has enough tomato plants to supply Lincoln county. He Clark went to Omaha yesterday to confer with the receivers in regard to the new wage schedule.

The large water motor has been put in place in the carpenter shop and hums as merrily as a band furnace. Some California fruit and silk is beginning to be marketed which slightly increases business on the road.

Fireman McCarty has rented the Mrs. Doud house on west Third street and will occupy it in the near future. Harry Fikes left Monday night to appear in Omaha this week as one of the members of the "grievors committee."

Ralph Chamberlain, who has been on the Sidney switch engine for several months spent yesterday in North Platte. The 625 went into the shops the first of this week to receive an overhauling and Wm. Stack has been assigned to the 625.

H. K. Barzum has built him a neat little boat for ducking purposes in which he proposes to take considerable enjoyment. Mose McFarland and R. O. Ginn have returned home from Grand Island, where they had been for two or three weeks.

Engine 631 was turned out of the back shop the past week and "Bob" Douglas is as happy as a boy with a little red wagon. W. L. Park has had his private velocipede car painted and striped in gorgeous style. As a rapid sailing craft it rather exceeds Foreman Barnum's duck boat.

On Sunday morning a delegation of thirty-two representatives of labor organizations on the Union Pacific system passed through North Platte en route for Omaha.

The 1013 was off the track yesterday forenoon with everything but the tail-wheel. It took several hours to replace her upon the rails, and another switch engine had to be ordered out.

Elly McCarty will soon be looking for carpenters to assist him in his work. Next week he begins the erection of the Sidney depot. He has four sections and a large two-story section house to build.

Tom Clinton, late of Sidney, has taken the place of that veteran Tommy Crick as crossing watchman on Locust street. For years the former was a familiar figure at that place, and he will be greatly missed by the numerous passers upon that thoroughfare.

Division foreman Barnum has had his landscape gardener at work fixing up the lawn around his office. Mr. Bows, the Pacific hotel manager, has followed suit and let Messrs. Park and Bullard be it is they must strike a Nancy Hanks gap in this matter.

The 804 has been turned out of the shop after having received some light repairs and being equipped with a new driver brake. John Bonner cow swear he has the drop on the car men in regard to flattening wheels as he declares he will use only the engine in making his stops.

The 818 blew a water pipe plug out of her fire-box Monday night, and in a very few minutes was a "dead" engine. The accident occurred up west of Julesburg. No further damage was done than delaying the train, No. 3. After getting down and while looking his engine over engineer Van Cook stepped into a deep hole and very severely wrenched his arm.

THIRD WARD LOCAL EVENTS.

COLLECTED BY ALBIE. George Hatfield became the father of a girl baby last Sunday. Anthony Rosenstein has been unable to work for several days.

Chas. Yost has been promoted to day porter at the Pacific hotel and John Fulton takes the night job. H. W. Pegel will move to Hershey soon where he owns a farm. He expects to run a blacksmith shop at Hershey and his land is near enough so that he can oversee the farming of it.

Those who have time are getting their yards ready for spring and they want the grass to start before we have rain. Dick Lewis uncovered some pansies in his yard and found a number of pansy blossoms.

V. VonGetz will run two delivery wagons this summer for the convenience of his customers, and to take care of his growing business. The extra wagon was started yesterday but a mishap caused a departure, and the vehicle will be held a few days for repairs.

There were rumors last Saturday that an estimable young lady of our side was to be married on Sunday to a prominent young business man but the marriage failed to materialize. The young man in question says he gets married every day and he gives his anxious friends an opportunity to spend a few dollars for wedding presents.

There was a gathering of jolly people at the home of Mrs. Wm. Baskins on Monday night and they tired themselves out having a good time until a late hour. Some thought that an extra man would have to go out on the run of one of the men the next morning but it was explained that he had an enlarged repertoire for food, similar to the tenders of the 80 class of locomotives.

Last Sunday two young machinists, not from this ward, hired a team from John Delay and while riding around town they got dizzy from drinking too much liquor. They turned the corner near Von Goetz store at too lively a gait and the buggy went over. The occupants were thrown out and injured and the team ran into Jordan's feed stable. The buggy was a new one and was damaged to the extent of fifty dollars.

Last September a sewing machine agent, from Denver, selling Wheeler & Wilson machines was through here and he doubtless sold a number of machines. His price was sixty five dollars and in the case of one which I know he allowed fifteen dollars for the old machine, received ten dollars in cash and two notes for twenty dollars each, one in six months the other for one year. The notes were written with interest at ten per cent on maturity, but on the note due the other day "maturity" was marked out and "date" written above it. That was the swindle, but what is to be done with a stranger? The machine, or one just as good, could have been bought for less money from reliable city dealers. A stranger, to do business at all, must be a smooth talker, and these sleek-tongued agents should be shunned.

"An Engineer" Makes Another Run. "Jerry" has come back at us again, although I thought we had put the quietus on him. Gushing and blubbing over with volubility, mainly inspired by his evident jealousy of the engineers' superior position and from a desire to let the world know that even a section man can jumble together an article which he no doubt considers the perfection of all splendid language. He has probably wearied the editor of this paper (and its readers, too) by continuing to have his senseless arguments inserted. My answer challenged the section land or anybody else for a reply to our first article. "Jerry" has no doubt seized this opportunity to put himself and his woe before the community. Come, "Jerry," ring off, and we'll start a subscription for you and head it with \$115. As I intimated in a previous article that a man who could compose such abstruse language as is supposed to be the work of "Jerry" is out of his proper sphere in life. I repeat that a man who can do these remarkable and wonderful things should get a hustle on him and aspire higher—running a "mighty machine" for instance. "Hide not your light under a bushel," says the Scripture.

"Jerry" comes at us again about the question of brains. He talks as though he would lead people to think that it was the section man who furnishes the brain power as well as physical power which is necessary to lay out and maintain tracks. What nonsense. An old tie that is not actually used. In proof of this read the extract which Mr. Belton uses from our report. It plainly states that the opportunity was afforded for outsiders to protest, and not a word or intimation is given that it was not right that objections might be heard. What comment upon the subject that was made by this paper is so plainly stated that there is no need for the most immature intellect to get it confused with the regular proceedings of the aldermen.

In relation to the artistic wooden awnings mentioned by Mr. Belton, we have been informed by one who knows where of he speaks that its removal was demanded vigorously by the principal tenant on the ground that the store room was so darkened as to be detrimental to business; hence its removal. Two wrongs never make a right. Mr. Belton, and THE TRIBUNE will oppose the erection of any more outside stairways upon public buildings. Yes, it is ready to join in a crusade against these already erected. This paper has frequently made objections to the obstacles which are allowed to stand in the streets and alleys and which have a tendency to obstruct travel. No special crusade is being made against wooden awnings; the crusade is against everything that tends to injure public comfort and convenience, and those things which detract the appearance of our little city.

A suggestion to the admirers of shanty awnings: There is a fraternal society

in this city that is the owner of a structure of this sort, now we venture the statement that if a poll was taken of its members upon this subject a majority of them would say remove it.

Tempson on Spring. We have the word of Alfred Tempson for it that in the spring the young man's fancies lightly turn to thoughts of love. It is singular that the great laureate omitted to mention the fact that in the spring that a considerable portion of the human race turn to taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Certain it is that Hood's Sarsaparilla has attained the greatest popularity all over the country as the favorite spring medicine. It purifies the blood and gives nerve, mental, bodily and digestive strength.

SEEDS!—SEEDS! This will be a real letter year for the farmers. Plenty of rain! Big crops! The finest line of field, garden, tree and flower seeds ever brought to town now on sale at Harrington & Tobin's, Odd Fellow's building.

Two furnished rooms for rent to lodgers on reasonable terms, with or without board. Next door west of jail building. Mrs. G. C. STODDARD.

Nichol Hagota. W. O. Thompson and Wm. Winter each took a load of "spuds" to the Platte Monday.

W. O. Thompson and H. H. Cook were county seat on Saturday. Archie Anderson and mother made a trip to the county seat on Saturday.

J. W. Liles sent a car of "Paddy's pets" from this station to Kearney the first of this week. Jerry Dwyer paid his respects to the county seat on Monday.

L. E. Jones, who returned from Illinois recently was accompanied by a young man from that state whose name we have failed to learn. He was from Illinois. Will Stoddard will work the Frazier farm the coming season. He is moving the building farther east this week.

L. W. Liles went to the Kansas with a car load of potatoes last week. They were loaded at this station. The Sunday school at this place last Sunday was well attended for the first meeting.

Bea Gibbons will move upon the Wm. Winter farm which he recently purchased the last of this week. Donald McLaughlin loaded a car with potatoes at Palace on Monday.

L. N. Ball moved into one of the new ditch residences the fore part of this week. Freddie Cole shot a wild goose on Friday last. It was his first attempt in that line.

D. A. Brown made a trip to the ranch in McPherson county the last of last week, returning the first of this week. The majority of the farmers in this vicinity are busy with their spring work at this scribbling.

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